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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1949-50, 1950-51 and 1951-52 and monthly production for August to October, 1951 and August to October, 1952 are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. The names of these authorities are given in full below. Figures up to 1949-50 inclusive are taken from the Government Statist's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the Bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities:-

C. & A.	Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.
G.S.	Commonwealth or State Statistician.
J.C.B.	Joint Coal Board.
M.D.	State Department of Mines.
T. & C.	Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	August	Sept.	Oct.	August	Sept.	Oct.
FUEL: Briquettes	G.S.	ton	33,329	49,047	42,617	47,354	51,022	50,368	53,231	44,402	40,810	
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	10,762	10,430	12,500	16,495	14,207	14,934	13,166	*13,768	13,500
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	636,410	608,346	674,995	714,511	674,609	707,612	716,511	655,264	
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	mill.cub.ft.	694	896	943	1,035	1,126	1,077	1,060	1,271	1,157	1,140
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	mill. k.W.h.	102	226	237	244	270	241	251	271	259	
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Clay Bricks	G.S.	'000	16,437	12,240	14,880	13,560	15,092	13,489	14,040	14,395	11,891	14,662
Fibrous Plaster Sheets (a)	G.S.	'000 sq.yds.	273	504	551	545	610	565	643	526	539	553
Tiles - Cement	G.S.	'000	252	1,595	1,894	2,193	2,147	2,013	2,352	1,787	1,757	1,963
Terra Cotta	G.S.	'000	1,145	1,023	1,025	1,039	1,045	1,037	1,184	1,184	1,332	1,443
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	G.S.	gal.	15,415	100,095	124,131	118,847	159,851	138,328	140,873	62,695	76,717	92,364
Lacquers(Nitro-Cell)	G.S.	"	12,725	20,996	23,103	23,355	27,732	25,486	28,842	14,429	13,138	14,453
Enamels(Nat.&Syn.)	G.S.	"	5,251	42,821	45,469	48,730	56,968	56,462	65,157	29,697	34,381	45,180
Water Paints	G.S.	'000 lbs.	55	117	101	138	160	153	140	149	238	310
Soap - Household	G.S.	cwt.	16,024	16,745	19,153	19,559	19,363	20,237	22,459	16,818	16,892	19,483
Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	3,798	4,726	4,486	5,092	4,497	5,374	4,415	4,003	4,575
Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,715	2,701	2,426	2,659	2,412	2,458	2,250	2,612	2,976
Industrial	G.S.	"	..	2,523	4,097	3,189	3,513	3,465	*3,508	2,190	1,627	2,087
Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	750	1,168	983	408	1,048	1,692	749	540	871
Soft	G.S.	"	445	522	565	632	877	697	579	632	553	412
Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,369	2,216	2,509	3,000	2,502	2,856	2,243	2,112	2,258
Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	22,265	25,517	32,451	27,234	30,171	42,079	26,626	25,771	31,716
Superphosphate	C. & A.	ton	39,854	52,069	51,564	52,752	63,174	43,874	55,404	34,564	40,604	51,104
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	G.S.	"	16,543	19,836	20,223	20,480	21,581	16,297	20,428	14,494	18,290	18,757
METALS: - Gold (Mine Production)	M.D.	fine oz.	12,373	5,532	5,809	5,302	6,456	5,351	5,412	5,475	5,684	7,822
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves - Solid Fuel (b)	G.S.	number	1,439	1,115	1,253	1,401	1,425	1,421	1,669	1,317	1,229	1,217
Gas (b)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,393	1,374	1,138	1,702	1,226	1,607	753	910	1,082
Coppers- Gas	G.S.	"	..	810	867	579	896	558	743	485	644	..
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	798	793	680	968	697	735	599	529	564
Gas	G.S.	"	..	247	712	554	964	314	792	452	578	592
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	4,160	5,390	5,445	5,552	5,268	5,972	6,636	5,963	5,719
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool Felt & Carpets	G.S.	'000 sq.yds.	..	132	130	108	157	145	150	156	167	159

(a) Factory production only.

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			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	August	Sept.	Oct.	August	Sept.	Oct.
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (a)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	number	..	4,971	6,579	7,598	9,609	8,901	9,374	7,093	6,808	8,637
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	828	776	666	930	497	648	319	313	319
2½ " " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	429	398	311	548	443	269	102	159	269
5 " " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	122	179	171	154	121	461	68	152	121
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:												
Electric Toasters (Domestic)	G.S.	"	..	7,370	6,991	7,355	14,620	14,555	12,793	5,537	4,634	6,577
Electric Hot Water Jugs (Complete)	G.S.	"	..	12,431	11,953	13,294	17,257	13,103	4,649	2,594	2,273	3,922
Radios (Portable, Mantel, Table, Console)	G.S.	"	) 5,227	6,890	9,462	4,501	7,163	5,923	6,101	2,752	3,578	5,059
Radiograms (all types)	G.S.	"		1,291	1,555	1,070	2,000	1,629	1,596	1,923	1,736	1,599
COTTON SEWING THREAD (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	45,695	65,747	67,531	86,907	85,891	78,714	42,441	52,466	52,123
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	sq.yd.	154,435	80,017	81,042	80,964	101,884	93,040	91,673	47,463	44,090	60,936
WOOL TEXTILES: Scoured Wool (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,492	4,701	3,904	4,183	3,427	* 3,384	3,363	2,659	3,576
Wool Tops	G.S.	"	936	1,187	1,135	839	1,390	1,139	1,362	596	674	830
Yarn - Worsted	G.S.	"	612	1,055	1,027	823	1,195	1,144	* 1,174	688	738	841
Woollen	G.S.	"	731	1,244	1,018	875	1,265	1,122	* 1,254	641	705	747
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 sq.yds.	1,415	1,690	1,634	1,235	1,633	1,618	* 1,715	828	1,008	1,258
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids', Girls'												
Fully Fashioned	G.S.	doz.pr.	..	79,907	85,652	91,177	105,580	101,567	112,478	101,961	120,071	121,584
Circular	G.S.	"	..	7,173	6,846	6,458	7,337	6,445	8,774	5,529	6,361	8,158
Anklelets	G.S.	"	..	23,321	24,578	18,656	25,883	22,935	29,513	18,336	22,284	30,554
Men's & Boys'	G.S.	"	..	80,459	104,983	95,468	128,309	121,554	136,951	97,123	110,286	127,475
Children's	G.S.	"	..	38,399	36,527	32,216	44,321	35,509	42,333	20,424	28,868	30,067
KNITTED UNDERWEAR (c): Men's	G.S.	doz.	) 91,941	39,371	36,324	39,083	49,493	47,359	53,468	37,012	32,231	38,117
Women's	G.S.	"		57,581	74,732	64,411	78,871	73,456	* 86,936	52,427	63,787	66,871
Children's	G.S.	"		24,534	25,618	24,986	34,618	26,602	* 37,604	22,616	17,977	20,711
CLOTHING (except knitted):												
Shirts - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	22,581	24,885	26,088	28,430	37,169	28,608	36,536	26,072	24,715	31,221
Pyjama Suits - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	6,097	6,496	5,299	6,183	6,657	6,139	6,190	5,140	4,914	4,539
GLOVES (not rubber):												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	doz.pr.	77	2,268	1,612	998	1,318	1,184	* 792	1,363	1,778	1,952
Other	G.S.	"	..	2,154	2,458	3,021	3,484	3,282	* 3,643	4,213	4,563	4,975
Work	G.S.	"	1,187	1,204	1,216	1,565	1,301	1,446	1,471	1,171	1,509	1,239
FOOTWEAR (not rubber) Boots & Shoes	G.S.	'000 pr.	622	604	670	657	782	716	* 786	670	697	731
Sandals	G.S.	"	..	64	61	49	78	81	* 95	47	66	73
Slippers	G.S.	"	352	356	361	306	399	400	387	223	266	259

(a) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers. (b) Includes carbonised wool.
(c) Made in knitting mill until June 1952. Thereafter includes underwear made from knitted piece goods.

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			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	August	Sept.	Oct.	August	Sept.	Oct.
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	short ton	36,402	37,315	37,467	45,471	46,187	44,259	47,015	51,018	51,412	53,839
Bran (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,937	7,466	7,226	9,009	9,048	8,803	9,497	9,493	9,839	10,477
Pollard (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	7,658	7,381	9,259	9,580	9,157	9,539	10,261	10,745	11,258
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,786	2,843	3,383	3,705	3,205	3,657	3,066	2,845	3,634
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	G.S.	" "	1,121	2,666	2,237	1,898	2,796	2,355	2,304	1,969	1,810	1,763
- Other	G.S.	" "	1,589	2,128	2,099	2,313	2,785	2,315	2,635	2,374	2,431	2,600
Beef and Veal	G.S.	ton	9,499	10,384	11,263	11,392	10,998	10,554	11,609	9,083	9,594	10,265
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	5,582	3,850	3,669	2,029	2,691	4,906	2,618	3,807	9,254
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	6,773	4,633	5,259	3,129	3,381	4,824	4,571	6,464	8,702
Pork	G.S.	"	897	554	701	716	681	585	746	442	470	549
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	661	644	632	658	535	599	573	620	681
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	24,401	21,322	21,895	17,732	17,939	22,900	17,493	21,178	29,696
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	5,282	4,839	4,980	4,408	6,274	9,097	3,701	*6,116	8,189
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,774	1,898	1,840	1,465	2,510	3,534	1,465	2,506	3,557
Processed Milk Products (a)	G.S.	"	..	5,783	5,192	5,672	4,735	7,091	9,865	4,149	7,408	9,944
Ice Cream	G.S.	'000 gals.	89	328	430	397	261	395	492	213	345	382
Beer	T. & C.	"	2,621	4,143	4,454	4,728	4,776	4,228	5,065	4,988	5,241	5,100
Oatmeal & Rolled or Crushed Oats	G.S.	cwt.	11,786	15,128	11,808	10,387	9,240	4,142	3,559	12,328	3,822	4,515
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	12,222	10,335	10,318	10,347	8,979	11,801	10,201	12,135	13,711
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	G.S.	"	..	7,997	8,298	7,686	7,428	6,023	7,741	6,270	6,846	6,895
Margarine - Table	G.S.	"	1,871	1,569	945	1,222	1,189	1,023	1,100	2,507	2,175	2,125
Other	G.S.	"	5,403	6,926	4,810	6,240	7,709	6,705	6,350	6,524	7,182	5,770
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	G.S.	'000 bushel (40 lb.)	202	307	308	323	354	317	327	357	338	367
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	5,917	5,609	4,940	4,022	3,601	2,889	*1,507	1,693	1,483
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (b)	G.S.	" "	7,901	7,967	8,139	9,894	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	225	293	487	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Vegetables (c)	G.S.	" "	333	1,572	2,350	2,450	3,392	2,452	3,492	1,720	750	1,064
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes (d)	T. & C.	" "	634	869	867	838	857	1,248	457	898	950	-
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	number	1,757	4,051	4,473	3,258	3,872	3,386	3,649	3,344	3,764	4,294
MATTRESSES:												
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	..	5,694	7,520	7,794	8,912	7,486	9,479	5,859	6,216	7,449
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	5,115	7,203	7,699	10,078	7,798	*5,596	8,249	8,973	9,531
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	9,974	11,576	8,119	11,556	8,516	*8,306	6,864	6,962	6,973

(a) Includes Infants' and Invalids' Food. (b) Includes Tasmanian Production. (c) Excludes all Tomato products.

(d) Victorian factory production in 1938-39, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.